

# DIAMOND MOUNTAIN DISTRICT SYNTHESIS NAPA VALLEY RUTHERFORD OAKVILLE YOUNTVILLE YOUNTVILLE NAPA NAPA



# SYNTHESIS

# CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

Designed to be a balance of integration, Synthesis is a culmination of contrasting elements. Inspired by the nuances and depth of its parts, we blend our top barrels each vintage to represent this iconic appellation.

### THE WINE

Our flagship Cabernet, this wine flaunts the finest characteristics of each of its diverse regions. A stunning compromise of power and restraint, it draws from the silky, earthy, more readily approachable valley floor fruit, and chewy tannins and tertiary profiles that exist from the mountain appellations. Each vintage personifies its diversity, resulting in a wine that is truly representative of this renowned region.

### **VINEYARDS**

From the high elevations and volcanic soils of Mount Veeder, and Howell and Diamond Mountain, to the alluvial soils and warmer weather of Stags, Oakville and Rutherford, each lot contributes key elements to the blend. The result is a wine that is brilliantly balanced in fruit, weight, and tannin.

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| 2021 | ı      | 95 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
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| 2020 | i      | 93 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2019 | i      | 93 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2018 | l<br>I | 93 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
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| 2017 |        | 94 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2016 |        | 93 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2015 |        | 92 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2014 |        | 93 PTS, WINE SPECTATOR                   |
| 2014 |        | 93 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2013 |        | 93 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST                  |
| 2013 |        | 97 PTS, JAMES SUCKLING                   |
| 2012 |        | 90 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST                  |
| 2010 |        | 94 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST Cellar Selection |
| 2009 |        | 93 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST                  |
| 2007 |        | 95 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST Cellar Selection |
| 2006 |        | 93 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST Cellar Selection |
| 2005 |        | 95 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST                  |
| 1997 |        | 95 PTS, WINE ENTHUSIAST                  |



AVA Top barrels from all sub-AVAs sourced from Napa Valley

SOIL | Alluvial silt, sand, sedimentary rock, volcanic deposits, gravelly loam

STYLE | Balanced fruit, weight and tannin

### WINEMAKING NOTES

Hand-picked barrel lots of our favorite vineyards. Fermented in small 5 ton open-top fermenters for two weeks with pump overs for cap management. Aged in new French oak for approximately 16 months.

### STAGS LEAP DISTRICT

Always the most accessible and defined by its subtlety. Notes of rugged, yet precise red fruit. Its bright acidity and graceful mouthfeel are framed by fervent, sinewy tannins.

### OAKVILLE

Classic, with a propensity to age. Built on a foundation of distinct valley floor terroir, it's lush, with juicy, vibrant purple fruit and a velvety midpalate.

### RUTHERFORD

A standard for depth with signature earthy undertones. Deep red and blue fruit, with tertiary notes of classic dust, and chalky tannins.

### HOWELL MOUNTAIN

Intense and full, with great structure. Chewy tannins stand out, while savory, dried herb notes and rich midpalate set it apart.

### MOUNT VEEDER

Intense mountainous fruit, with incredible viscosity. Herbaceous layers of pine resin, and evergreen, with notable cocoa notes.

### DIAMOND MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Reflective of the depth and concentration from its high elevation origin. Deep black fruit with cedar notes. Distinct power and strength throughout, silky, refined tannins, distinctive minerality and lengthy finish.